

Hearing Aid Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (HAAAD)

THE PROGRAM

- HAAAD provides a \$500 reimbursement to offset the purchase of a hearing aid, or up to \$1000 for two hearing aids per calendar year;
- One reimbursement is allowed per calendar year. If a hearing aid is purchased in a subsequent calendar year, a new HAAAD application is required;
- "Hearing Aid" means a custom-fitted ear-level or body-worn electronic device which enhances communication for the hearing impaired;
- Beneficiaries must be currently enrolled in the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD) program or Lifeline Utility Assistance (Lifeline) program, and meet the PAAD and Lifeline eligibility criteria
- A receipt for the purchase of your hearing aid.
- A written statement from your physician attesting to the medical necessity for obtaining a hearing aid.
- If you are NOT currently enrolled in the PAAD or Lifeline program, you must complete an NJSave application to verify your age or disability status, residency and annual income. Your income for 2021 must be less than \$28,769 if single or less than \$35,270 if married.
- If you are a Medicaid recipient or have other health insurance coverage or retirement benefits that provide full hearing aid coverage, you are not eligible for HAAAD. If you have only limited or partial coverage, you would be eligible for a supplementary payment.
- Beneficiaries of the Senior Gold Prescription Discount Program are NOT eligible for HAAAD.

For additional information call our toll free Hotline at 1-800-792-9745.

TO DONATE A USED HEARING AID TO THE PROJECT:

Send in a padded envelope, box or unlabeled prescription container to:

New Jersey Hearing Aid Project
Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders
Montclair State University
1515 Broad Street, Bldg B
Bloomfield, NJ 07003



NJ Department of Human Services
Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
PO Box 074, Trenton, NJ 08625-0074
<https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddhh/>
(609) 588-2648



NJ DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

Hearing Aid Programs

Reconditioned Hearing Aid Project

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The New Jersey Hearing Aid Project provides reconditioned hearing aids to low-income seniors. The Project is a collaboration between the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and Sertoma Inc./Hearing Charities of America and Montclair State University.

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for the program applicants must meet the following criteria:

- 65 years of age or older
- Resident of New Jersey
- Certification by physician or licensed audiologist as having a hearing loss and needing a hearing aid
- Income less than \$28,769 if single or less than \$35,270 if married
- Not eligible for other sources of hearing aid assistance (e.g. Medicaid)
- Does not currently possess a usable hearing aid

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications can be obtained by contacting the New Jersey Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing at (609) 588-2648 or it can be downloaded from the division's web site at <https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddhh/services/hearingaid/project/>. Currently registered recipients of Pharmaceutical Assistance for the Aged and Disabled (PAAD), please request Eligibility Application Form A. If unregistered, please request Eligibility Application Form B. Return the completed application form to the address noted on the application form.



HEARING AID DISBURSEMENT

This Project is dependent upon the availability of used hearing aids which have been donated to the project. If an appropriate hearing aid is in the hearing aid inventory, it may take eight – twelve weeks for the hearing aid to be reconditioned and fitted. In some cases, an appropriate hearing aid may not be readily available in the inventory. Approved applicants will be notified when one becomes available.

OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES

Qualified participants will be responsible for the cost of the ear mold and batteries. The audiologist may also charge for the hearing evaluation or accept insurance. Applicants that require a diagnostic hearing evaluation should obtain a physician referral. This service will be billed to Medicare and/or private insurance coverage.

Approved participants will be responsible for any service visit charges beyond the initial 3 visits. Also, participants will be responsible for a repair fee after the warranty expires. The fee will be dependent upon the model of the hearing aid. There is no cost to participants for the reconditioned hearing aid.

